

WALL ST. MARKET

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provement in Mercantile

Marine Issues—Paper and

Leather Stock Likewise in

Demand.—Railroad Lists

Firm.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Although

trading was only moderately active in

today's early stock market there was

a strong undertone in prices with par-

ticular strength in the steel, copper

and equipment and munitions specu-

lative.

The shipping shares also were gen-

erally strong with fractional improve-

ment in the mercantile marine issues.

The paper and leather stocks were

likewise in good demand. The rail-

road list was firm, but movements

were narrow for the most part.

United States Steel early moved for-

ward to 109 1/4. Lackawanna

Steel gained more than two points

and Republic Steel advanced nearly a

point.

Anaconda Copper touched 84 and

Utah Copper 105. Mexican Petroleum

was under slight pressure, but Amer-

ican Smelting and Refining gained

fractionally. The equipment and mun-

ition specialties were well bought.

Baldwin Locomotive advanced a

point. American Locomotive moved

forward more than two points and

Crucible Steel nearly three points.

Central Leather was more than a

point up through 85. U. S. Industrial

Alcohol, International Paper and

American Writing advanced 1/2 to 2

points. The oil and gas specialties

were firm while the Motor stocks were

irregularly changed.

An additional shipment of \$4,000

gold from Canada was sent to the

Philadelphia mint and \$5,000,000 was

LOCAL MARKET

Fair Demand Shown For Bonds

Today.

Yesterday's Prices Prevail, But

Holders Were Unwilling to

Make Fractional Concessions,

Which Resulted in Turnover

of More Than \$20,000 Worth

of Securities.

There was fair demand for bonds at

today's session of the Washington

Stock Exchange at prices prevailing

yesterday, but holders were unwilling

to make the fractional concessions

which resulted in yesterday's turn-

over of more than \$20,000 worth of

bonds. Capital Traction 5's and

Washington Gas 5's, which sold yester-

day at 100 1/2, were held for 101 1/2,

which sold yesterday for 101 1/2, were

held for 102 1/2. There were evidences of

orders for bonds, but they were

not inclined to hold off for the frac-

tional concessions in prices which have

prevailed for the past ten days.

Actual transactions were light, and

included \$5,000 worth of Potomac

Electric Consolidated 5's at 101 1/2, two

\$500 Traction 5's at 106 1/2, and

a small Gas bond at the same

figure.

Stocks continued to attract little at-

tention, there being only two sales

recorded—ten Railway common at

79 and five shares of Washington Gas

at 70 1/2. The bid for quotation lots

of Gas stock was advanced to 70, and

the offering was fractionally lowered

to 69 1/2, but this was not taken up

by buyers and sellers got to an

agreement. Mergenthaler continued

weak, the stock being offered down

to 164 1/2, at which a small lot recently

sold, with the bid 163 1/2.

The board of governors decided at

today's session to adjourn Friday un-

til Tuesday, so that time might be

provided to move into the new quar-

UNCLE SAM CALLS

FOR FINANCIAL AID

Nephews and Nieces Are Asked

to Make Prompt Returns

of Taxes.

CONTRIBUTIONS DUE JAN. 1

Income Tax Rate Is Increased

From One to Two

Per Cent.

Do your income taxing early!

The collectors of internal revenue

throughout the country are warning the

nephews and nieces of Uncle Sam that

their revered relative has a lot of bills

to meet and would like to have the

family "come across" as soon as pos-

sible with their contributions for his

support.

Also the collectors of internal revenue

are informing the good people who

are taxable that the emergency revenue

bill of 1914, which was scheduled to

be a natural death January 1, 1917, has

been given a big dose of legislative tonic

and is bigger and better than ever before.

There are some of its activities that

have been curtailed by amendments of

sections here and there, but the major

part of them have been greatly

strengthened.

Assessed for Licenses.

Brokers, pawn, ship, customs, and

common, garden brokers, are to be

assessed at the way from \$10 to

\$50 per year for Federal licenses.

Commission merchants, commercial

brokers, and dealers in manufactured

or leaf brokers will not have to pay

the special tax of the act of 1914. But

manufacturers of tobacco, cigars,

cigarettes, etc., are subject to a

special tax.

Motion picture exhibitors will pay

a graduated rate of from \$25 up

to \$100 per year, depending on the

number of theaters in towns of less

than 5,000 people will pay half rate.

The proprietors of bowling alleys

POSTAL RIDER COOMED

Unlikely That Rate Increase Will

Pass House.

It developed today that hard sledding

is ahead for the legislative rider in the

postoffice appropriation bill increasing

the postage rates on second class mail

matter.

Protests have begun to reach the

House Committee on Rules against this

legislation and it is improbable that

the committee will report a rule making

the legislation in order.

These protests are largely from agri-

cultural and religious publications, who

say they can not survive at the in-

creased postage rates, which run as

high as 6 cents on periodicals and news-

paper going 1,500 miles or more.

The postoffice bill rider is subject to

a point of order unless the House Rules

Committee comes to its rescue. Mem-

bers of the committee today appeared

averse to the report of a rule and the

second class mail rider probably will

be killed in the House.

HABANA ENTRIES

First race—Selling: three-year-olds and

upward; six furlongs. Wrennah, 124; Thel-

ma, 127; Yorkshire Boy, 127; Yellow Eyes, 127.

Second race—Selling: three-year-olds and

upward; six furlongs. "Lost Fortune," 124;

Wagon Wheel, 124; Memory, 124; Thel-

ma, 127; Yorkshire Boy, 127; Yellow Eyes, 127.

Third race—Selling: three-year-olds and

upward; six furlongs. "Lost Fortune," 124;

Wagon Wheel, 124; Memory, 124; Thel-

ma, 127; Yorkshire Boy, 127; Yellow Eyes, 127.

Fourth race—Selling: three-year-olds and

upward; six furlongs. "Lost Fortune," 124;

Wagon Wheel, 124; Memory, 124; Thel-

ma, 127; Yorkshire Boy, 127; Yellow Eyes, 127.

Fifth race—Selling: three-year-olds and

upward; six furlongs. "Lost Fortune," 124;

Wagon Wheel, 124; Memory, 124; Thel-

ma, 127; Yorkshire Boy, 127; Yellow Eyes, 127.

Sixth race—Selling: three-year-olds and

upward; six furlongs. "Lost Fortune," 124;

SAY ANALYSIS AIDS

BROKER'S DEFENSE

Shows Mrs. Small, Murder Vic-

tim, Ate Roast Beef Day

of Tragedy.

OSHIPEE, N. H., Dec. 27.—Chemical

analysis of the stomach of Mrs. Florence

Small, with whose murder, on

September 23, Frederick Small, her

husband, now on trial, is charged,

shows that she ate roast beef on the

day of her death, according to infor-

mation here today.

This simple fact, the defense claims,

will prove the turning point in the

trial, and prove the innocence of the

accused man.

Defense Claims Point.

Small, who is a Boston broker, left

his cottage, in the ruins of which

his wife's body was found that night,

at 3 p. m. on the day of the murder.

For lunch, he and his wife had can-

ned shrimp, he declares.

The presence of roast beef in the

stomach of the murdered woman

proves, therefore, according to the

defense, that she was alive after her

husband's departure; that she ate

supper, and was murdered by persons

unknown after that meal.

To Visit Scene of Crime.

Attorney William S. Matthews,

chief counsel for the defense, said he

is perfectly satisfied with the an-

alysis of the stomach contents as fur-

nished by the State attorneys.

Indications are that the jury will

be completed today, and that County

Solicitor Walter D. Hill will make his

opening address to the jury. The jury

probably will view the ruins tomor-

row. The jurors will ride in sleighs

eight miles to the ice-coated shores of

Lake Umbagog. The horses will plunge

through two feet of snow to reach

the scene of the crime.

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